#### THE HONORABLE ROBERT J. BRYAN 1 2 RICHARD L. PHILLIPS, WSBA #6252 ROMAN S. DIXON JR. WSBA #36369 3 THE GAITÁN GROUP LLC 3131 Elliott Avenue, Suite 700 Seattle, WA 98121 4 FILED LODGED (206) 346-6000 RECEIVED 5 Attorneys for Defendant OCT 2 9 2010 FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION, 6 as Receiver for Westsound Bank CLERK U.S. DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT TACOMA 7 8 Attorneys for Defendants Jerry Becker, Mary Ann Becker, and JFB Properties LLC Edward L. Mueller, WSBA # 264 Mueller & Associates Inc. P.S., 10 2050 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue N.E., Ste 110 Bellevue, WA 98004 11 Ph. # (425) 457 7600 Fax # (425) 457 7601 12 e-mail: elm@muellerlawfirm.net 13 14 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 15 AT TACOMA 16 **INSURANCE** 17 **FEDERAL DEPOSIT** CORPORATION, receiver 18 WESTSOUND BANK. NO. CV09-5476-RJB 19 JOINT PRETRIAL ORDER Plaintiffs, 20 ٧. 21 JERRY F. BECKER, individually; MARY ANN BECKER, individually; the marital community composed of JERRY F. 22 BECKER AND MARY ANN BECKER: 23 **PROPERTIES** JFB LLC, Washington Limited Liability Company, 09-CV-05476-ORD 24 Defendants. 25

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## I. JURISDICTION

Jurisdiction is vested in this court by virtue of 12 USC §§ 1819(b)(2)(A) and (B).

#### II. CLAIMS AND DEFENSES

At trial, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation as Receiver for Westsound Bank ("FDIC") will present evidence of the amount due on the four claims for which summary judgment was granted by the trial court judge in Kitsap County Superior Court. In addition, the FDIC will pursue a claim for fraudulent transfer per RCW 19.40.041, 19.40.051.

At trial, the defendant will present the following affirmative defenses:

(1) Westsound Bank's, and the FDIC's failure to mitigate damages.

#### III. ADMITTED FACTS

The following facts are admitted by the parties:

- 1. Westsound Bank ("the Bank") loaned money to Jerry and Mary Ann Becker on four separate loans.
- 2. The state trial court granted summary judgment to the Bank on those notes by memorandum opinion dated April 24, 2009.
- 3. This court denied the defendants' Motion to Reconsider by Order dated August 23, 2010.
- 4. Prior to May 27, 2008, Jerry and Mary Ann Becker owned a parcel of real property located at 514 Sheridan Road, Bremerton, WA.
- 5. Prior to May 27, 2008, Jerry and Mary Ann Becker owned a parcel of real property located at 516 Sheridan Road, Bremerton, WA.
- On or about May 27, 2008, Jerry and Mary Ann Becker transferred property located at 514 and 516 Sheridan Road, Bremerton WA, to JFB Properties LLC.
- 7. Jerry F. Becker is the Manager of JFB Properties, LLC.

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- 8. The Members of the LLC are Jerry F. Becker and Mary Ann Becker.
- At the time of the transfers Jerry and Mary Ann Becker were indebted to Westsound Bank on loan #2019923305, which originated as loan #2019909189, in the principal amount of \$467,000.
- 10. At the time of the transfers Jerry and Mary Ann Becker were indebted to Westsound Bank on loan #2019013644 in the principal amount of \$503,450.
- 11. At the time of the transfers Jerry and Mary Ann Becker were indebted to Westsound Bank2007090500, which originated as loan 2019910914, in the principal amount of \$157,982.
- 12. At the time of the transfers Jerry and Mary Ann Becker were indebted to Westsound Bank on loan 2007000000, which originated as loan 2019910922, in the principal amount of \$158,790.
- 13. At the time of the transfers the loans were all in default.
- 14. The transfers were made without value.

# The Plaintiff contends as follows:

- 1. Jerry and Mary Ann Becker owe a total of \$582,857.41 on note 1.
- 2. Jerry and Mary Ann Becker owe a total of \$598,914.24 on note 2.
- 3. Jerry and Mary Ann Becker owe a total of \$230,749.47 on note 3
- 4. Jerry and Mary Ann Becker owe a total of \$233,244.55 on note 4.
- 5. The transfer of the properties at 514 and 516 Sheridan Road, Bremerton WA from Jerry and Mary Ann Becker to JFB Properties LLC were fraudulent as to Westsound Bank and its successor in interest, the FDIC as Receiver for Westsound Bank, within the meaning of RCW 19.40.041, 19.40.051.

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The Defendants contend as follows:

- 1. One of the Becker loans was a personal consumer loan with construction loan provisions, and the other three were commercial type loans, one of which was originally a construction loan, and two of which were land development loans. All four loans were later converted to long term amortized installment loans evidenced by notes with early call or payoff dates that would require either sale of the properties securing the loans or refinancing to avoid default. It is the four amortized notes that are the part of the subjects of this lawsuit.
- 2. Westsound Bank failed to mitigate damages by failing to complete non-judicial foreclosure sales in 2008 when the properties were in reasonable condition; but ceased the non-judicial foreclosure procedures, and instead instituted lawsuits on the four notes so as to increase the damages to Defendants Becker without justification.
- 3. Westsound Bank failed to mitigate damages by refusing a proffered short sale on the Indianola house when it was in good condition, and would have paid by fair the major part of the loan on that property, leaving only a more manageable deficiency, but the Bank refused the sale after it had originally solicited such a mitigation strategy with Jerry Becker.
- 4. The FDIC has continued the policies of Westsound Bank with respect to failure to mitigate damages, and instead has engaged in a policy of liquidating the assets related to the four loans that precludes any possible mitigation of damages.

### IV. ISSUES OF LAW

The following are the issues of law to be determined by the court:

- Whether the transfers of property from Jerry and Mary Ann Becker to JFB
   Properties LLC were fraudulent transfers under Washington state law?
- 2. What is the total amount due from Jerry and Mary Anne Becker in principal and interest?

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1	VI. OTHER WITNESSES
2	(A). On behalf of plaintiff:
3	(1). Kevin Leach
4	2331 E. Saint Andrews Dr. N,
5	Shelton, WA 98585-7549; will testify concerning the current amount
6	due on the loans that are the subject matter of this lawsuit loans.
7	(2). Brett T. Green
8	9040 NW Anderson Hill Rd
9	Silverdale WA 98383; possible witness concerning defendants' loan
10	agreements with Westsound and the current amounts due on those loans.
11	(3). Heath B. McLellan
12	2402 19 <sup>th</sup> Ave Ct. NW,
13	Gig Harbor WA 98335; possible witness concerning defendants' loan
14	agreements with Westsound and the current amounts due on those loans.
15	(4). Terry A. Peterson
16	6170 156 <sup>th</sup> P1 SE
17	Bellevue, WA 98006; possible witness concerning one or more of the
18	defendants' relationships with Westsound.
19	(5). Jerry Becker (defendant); will testify concerning defendants' loan
20	agreements with Westsound and concerning the transfer of properties from Jerry and Mary Ann
21	Becker to JFB Properties LLC.
22	(6). Mary Ann Becker (defendant); possible witness concerning
23	defendants' loan agreements with Westsound.
24	(7). The Plaintiff reserves the right to disclose additional individuals
25	and/or to supplement this disclosure pursuant to FRCP 26(e).
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(B). On behalf of Defendants:

A. Jennifer Enlow 2047 N.W. John Carlson Road Bremerton, WA 98311

She is a former Westsound Bank (WSB) employee, a former loan officer, and formerly a part of the Westsound Mortgage Department. She was the loan officer for the Defendants Becker loans and has knowledge of their four loans involved in Case No. 3:09-cv-05476-RJB.

B. David Johnson 3781 NE Trout Brook Lane Bremerton, WA 98311

David Johnson was President of Westsound Bank (WSB) for several years during which the bank was successful and growing. Mr. Johnson was President of WSB when it opened its branch office in Silverdale, WA, in 2001; and continued as President during the development of its substantial mortgage business under its d/b/a Westsound Mortgage that grew to about 30 employees. Mr. Johnson knows information that pertains to (1) Defendants Beckers' loans, and (2) Becker Family Builders Co-Plaintiffs Group's loans, and (3) the banking practices of WSB concerning Defendant Beckers' loans during the time when Westsound Bank had an active mortgage department, which mortgage department was suddenly terminated in late September 2007. Mr. Johnson also has information related to (4) the consent Cease and Desist Order between WSB and the Washington State Department of Financial Institutions (hereinafter WSDFI) and the FDIC issued in about March 2008, (5) the events and investigations and reports by WSDFI and the FDIC that led up

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1	to that Cease and Desist Order, and (6) its relevance to the problems experienced by		
2	Defendants Becker with respect to their loans.		
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4	C. Jerry Becker, (one of the Defendants)		
5	c/o Edward L. Mueller, legal counsel for Plaintiffs.		
6	2050 112 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, Ste 110 Bellevue, WA 98004		
7	(425) 457 7600		
8	Mr. Becker has knowledge about all aspects of the history of Defendants' loans		
9	with Westsound Bank and Defendants' defenses with respect to the claims of Westsound		
10	Bank and the FDIC, its receiver, including but not limited to those of Jerry Becker, Mary		
11 12	Ann Becker and JFB Properties, LLC including but not limited to the causes of the defaults,		
13	and the failure of Westsound Bank to mitigate damages		
14 15 16 17	D. Richard Sanders, c/o Edward L. Mueller, legal counsel for Plaintiffs. 2050 112 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, Ste 110 Bellevue, WA 98004 (425) 457 7600		
18	Richard Sanders has knowledge about the Defendants' loans with WSB and the		
19	events that through no fault of Defendants brought about the changes in Westsound Bank's		
20	loan administration that caused the alleged defaults, and Westsound Bank's failure to		
21	mitigate damages.		
22 23			
24	E Shelley Sanders,		
25	c/o Edward L. Mueller, legal counsel for Plaintiffs.  2050 112 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, Ste 110		
26	Bellevue, WA 98004 (425) 457 7600		
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Shelly Sanders has information about Defendants loans with WSB and the events that that through no fault of Defendants brought about the changes in loan administration that caused the alleged defaults and Westsound Bank's failure to mitigate damages..

F. Matt (Matthew) Templeton, c/o Edward L. Mueller, legal counsel for Plaintiffs. 2050 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, Ste 110 Bellevue, WA 98004 (425) 457 7600

Matt Templeton has information about Defendants' loans with Westsound Bank and the events that that through no fault of Defendants brought about the changes in loan administration that caused the alleged defaults and Westsound Bank's failure to mitigate damages.

G. Cherie Boyer 4929 Alpenglow Dr. NW Bremerton WA 98312

Cherie Boyer is a former management level employee of Westsound Bank, including branch manager at the Silverdale Branch, and a senior construction loan officer. Cherie Boyer has information concerning the administration of Defendant Beckers' loans prior to the closing of the Bank's Mortgage Department in late September 2007 and subsequent to the closing of the Bank's Mortgage Department in late September 2007. She also probably has knowledge of many of the prior loans made by Westsound Bank to Jerry and Mary Ann Becker, and the course of dealing and standard practices of Westsound Bank.

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(1). Formation documents of JFB Properties, LLC H. Veronica Colburn

Currier

2005 Glenwood Rd. SW Port Orchard WA 98367

Veronica Colburn Currier (recently married, prior to which she was known as Veronica Colburn) was a corporate officer (its Secretary) of Westsound Bank (WSB) and a key bank executive responsible for risk management practices of the bank beginning in WSB's early years until years later when WSB was seized by WSDFI and the FDIC was appointed as receiver of WSB. Ms Coburn has the following knowledge: Prior to joining WSB, Ms. Colburn had been an officer and executive at National Bank of Port Orchard. Jerry Becker and his family had done banking business with Veronica Colburn at National Bank of Port Orchard for years, and when she moved to Westsound Bank, Jerry Becker and his family moved their banking business to WSB. Ms Colburn has information about Jerry Becker and his family and their banking relationships that go back many years. Jerry Becker and his family continued their banking through Ms. Colburn when possible. Ms. Colburn has information about the Becker family banking activities at the time she handled their accounts, and may have knowledge of their banking activities after that because of her position as an officer and a lending department executive of the Bank. Ms Colburn-Currier may also have information related to the consent Cease and Desist Order between WSB and WSDFI and the FDIC issued in about March 2008, and the events and investigations and reports by WSDFI and the FDIC that led up to that Cease and Desist Order.

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I. Terry BenishPO Box 5Suquamish WA 98392

Terry Benish was hired as vice president and manager of "classified assets" of the Westsound Bank (WSB), and has information pertaining to the Defendants Beckers' various loans, and the efforts of Defendants Becker to work things out with WSB, including an agreement for short sale on the property at 21416 Indianola Road N.E. (that would have mitigated everyone's damages, and probably WSB's potential losses on the Becker Indianola loans. A few months after Mr. Benish was hired, his employment was suddenly terminated by WSB, and other WSB representatives refused to keep the agreements made by Mr. Benish, including the short sale that had been worked out between WSB (acting through Mr. Benish) and the Defendant Jerry Becker.

J. Garrett Brady (address unknown at this time.)

Garrett Brady is a former employee of Westsound Bank (WSB) and was employed by WSB as a construction loan coordinator. Garrett Brady has knowledge of Defendants Beckers' loans during the time he worked for WSB. Mr. Brady also would have knowledge of the standardized practices of construction loan administration used by WSB in conjunction with Co-Plaintiffs and Defendants Beckers' loans.

K. Steve Brown (address unknown at this time.)

Steve Brown is a former employee of Westsound Bank (WSB) and preceded Garret Brady as a construction loan coordinator. Defendants Becker had occasion to work with Mr.

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1	Brown concerning their loans. Steve Brown has knowledge of Defendant Beckers' loans durin	
2	the time he worked for WSB. Mr. Brown also has knowledge of the standardized practices of	
3	construction loan administration used by WSB in conjunction with Co-Plaintiffs and Defendant	
4 5	Beckers' loans.	
6	L. Lana Heike, 7888Crystal Manor Lane, N.W.	
7	7 Silverdale, WA 98383	
8	Ms Heike was an employee of Westsound Bank in charge of marketing and public	
9	relations, and as such has knowledge of the adverse effects of the termination of the entire	
10	mortgage department in September 2007 on the functioning of the bank, and particularly its loan	
11	administration. She also has knowledge of the internal relationships in Westsound Bank that	
12	resulted in the refusal of some executives of the bank to approve procedures that would have	
13	mitigated damages to both the borrowers from the bank and the bank.	
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16	VII. EXHIBITS	
17	(A). Admissibility stipulated:	
18	Plaintiffs' Exhibits	
19	Defendant's Exhibits	
20	(B). Authenticity stipulated, admissibility disputed:	
21	Plaintiffs' Exhibits	
22	(1). Becker loan agreements	
23	(2). Becker credit documents	
24	(3).Documents pertaining to the transfer of property located at 514 and	
25	516 Sheridan Road, Bremerton WA	
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1 Defendants' Exhibits 2 (A-1). List of Prior Loans 3 4 5 (C). Authenticity and admissibility disputed: 6 Plaintiff's Exhibits: 7 8 9 Defendants' Exhibits: 10 (A-2) Written communications regarding short sales between Defendant 11 Jerry Becker and representatives of Westsound Bank. 12 (A-3) Notices of non-judicial foreclosure sent on behalf of Westsound 13 Bank. 14 (A-4) Other written communications and financial statements delivered 15 to Westsound Bank by Defendants Becker 16 VIII. ACTION BY THE COURT 17 (A). This case is scheduled for trial before the court on November 2, 2010. 18 (B). Trial briefs shall be submitted to the court on or before October 29, 2010. 19 (C). On April 24, 2009, the Honorable M. Karlynn Haberly, judge of the 20 Washington State Superior Court for Kitsap County, filed a memorandum opinion finding that 21 Westsound Bank was entitled to summary judgment on its claims and to summary judgment of 22 dismissal on defendants' counterclaims. 23 (D). On June 14, 2010, this Court issued an Order Granting Plaintiff's Motion to 24 Compel Discovery Responses. The order was signed by the Honorable Robert J. Bryan, United 25 States District Judge. 26 JOINT PRETRIAL ORDER LAW OFFICES OF (NO. C09-5476-RJB) - 13 THE GAITÁN GROUP A PROFESSIONAL LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

(E). On August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010, this Court issued an Order denying defendants' motion for reconsideration of the summary judgment order. The order was signed by the Honorable Robert J. Bryan.

This order has been approved by the parties as evidenced by the signatures of their counsel. This order shall control the subsequent course of the action unless modified by a subsequent order. This order shall not be amended except by order of the court pursuant to agreement of the parties or to prevent manifest injustice.

Dated this 29 day of DV

2010 at Seattle, Washington.

The Honorable Robert J. Bryan, United States District Judge

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